## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (original) Device for assisting in culinary preparation, comprising a plurality of electric household appliances (10, 20, 30) and a remote monitoring and control apparatus (2) for said electric household appliances (10, 20, 30), the monitoring and control apparatus (2) being provided with display means (3) and selection means (4), and being adapted to receive condition signals (SE) characteristic of the condition of said electric household appliances and to emit toward them control signals (SC),

characterized in that the selection means (4) permit a user to select a prerecorded culinary preparation which is modeled as a series of steps of preparation, of which certain ones taken alone constitute an assisted elementary phase using a first group of electric household appliances by associating with each of them operating parameters, and in that, in the course of at least one assisted elementary phase, the monitoring and control apparatus (2) receives a condition signal (SE) from each of the electric household appliances of a second group, and emits toward each of the electric kitchen appliances of the first group a control signal (SC) dependent on the one hand on said condition signals

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(SE), and on the other hand on the operational parameters associated with each of the electric household appliances of the first group and with said assisted elementary phase.

2. (original) Device for assistance in culinary preparations according to claim 1,

characterized in that the electric household appliances (10, 20, 30) and the monitoring and control apparatus (2) are interconnected by a cable network, by which the condition signals (SE) and the control signals (SC) are transmitted.

3. (previously presented) Device for assisting in culinary preparation according to claim 1,

characterized in that the condition signals (SE) or the control signals (SC) are optical signals.

4. (previously presented) Device for assistance in culinary preparation according to claim 1,

characterized in that the plurality of electric household appliances (10, 20, 30) comprises at least one of the following appliances: electric food weighing appliance (10), food processor (20), oven (30).

5. (cancelled).